

NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

SELECTED WEBSITES AND ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

"My Administration recognizes the painful chapters in our shared history, and we are fully committed to moving forward with American Indians and Alaska Natives to build a better future together... We will seek to strengthen our nation-to-nation relationship by ensuring tribal nations have a voice in shaping national policies impacting tribal communities. We will continue this dialogue at the White House Tribal Nations Conference held in Washington, D.C. next month."

President Obama, Presidential Proclamation November 2, 2011



Honoring Native Americans Every November, *National Native American Heritage (NNAH)* Month celebrates the enduring contributions of the first Americans to the history and culture of the United States. This month is designated by Congress and the president as a time to reflect on the rich traditions and accomplishments, as well as the suffering and injustices, that mark the history of American Indians and Alaska Natives. Today, there are 5.2 million American Indians and Alaska Natives in the United States. They make up 1.7% of the total population, according to the 2010 census. Their numbers are expected to increase to 8.6 million, or 2% of the population, by 2050.

Photo: A boy glances into the crowd during the Milk River Indian Days Pow Wow at the Fort Belknap Agency, Montana.

- Presidential Proclamation National Native American Heritage Month 2011
- A Song for the Horse Nation / About the Exhibition
- American Indians and Horses Photo Gallery
- National Museum of the American Indian Smithsonian, Washington D.C.
- ImagiNations: Activity Center National Museum of the American Indian
- Native American Heritage Month Library of Congress
- Indigenous Peoples Today eJournalUSA
- American Indian Heritage Month National Park Service
- American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month Indian Health Service
- U.S. Census Bureau American Indian and Alaska Natives: Data & Links
- Native American Resources USA People Search
- Veterans History Project interviews / listing of American Indian and Alaska Native military veterans.
- Bureau of Indian Affairs Department of Interior Who We Are / History of NNAH Month
- Frequently Asked Questions Bureau Indian Affairs, U.S. Dept. of Interior
- FAQs about Native Americans U.S. Dept of Justice

No recommendation is made in respect of non-U.S. Government web sites listed

Glass Horse Mask 2008, by Marcus Amerman (Choctaw, born 1959 New Mexico. Multicolored glass.



U.S. GOVERNMENT - CONGRESS

U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs

<u>Subcommittee on Indian and Native Affairs Oversight Hearings</u> – Natural Resources

NATIVE AMERICANS IN U.S. CONGRESS

Ethnic Diversity in the Senate – list, by U.S. Senate Historical Office

U.S. GOVERNMENT- AGENCIES

- Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Dept of the Interior
- American Indian Policy Center U.S. tribal relations, enrollment, sovereignty, and treaties, etc.
- National Register of Historic Places Flickr Photostream: American Indian / Alaska
- National Park Service American Indian Liaison Office created in 1995, to improve relationships between American Indian tribes, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians and the National Park Service through consultation, outreach, technical assistance, education, and advisory services.
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation: Tribal Historic Preservation Visit this website for more information on the 1992 U.S. Congress adoption of amendments to the National Historic Preservation Act (P.L. 102-575) that allow federally recognized Indian tribes to take on more formal responsibility for the preservation of significant historic properties on tribal lands.
- Online Museum Exhibits Discover American Indian artifacts from Chaco Canyon, Hubbell Trading Post and Bandelier National Monument in online exhibits of the NPS's Museum Management Program.
- <u>Archeology Program</u> Encourages public interest in and stewardship of the sites contributing to our national heritage. See especially their features on The Earliest Americans, Ancient Architects of the Mississippi and Coso Rock Art.
- Applied Ethnography Program The program's role in the National Park Service includes providing
 information about groups who "assign significance to places closely linked with their own sense of
 purpose, existence as a community, and development as ethnically distinctive peoples."
- <u>Library of Congress: Built in America</u> The Historic American Buildings Survey (HABS), the Historic American Engineering Record (HAER) and Historic American Landscape Survey (HALS) collections document achievements in architecture, engineering, and design in the United States, including sites related to American Indian history and culture. Searches on keywords like "American Indian," or on a specific tribe like the Cherokee, will provide information on an array of associated sites. Most of the site records have publication-quality drawings, photographs and historical data.
- Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Develops regulations and guidance for implementing NAGPRA, provides training, assists Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations and museums with the NAGPRA process, and manages a grants program.
- <u>National Congress of American Indians</u> Founded in 1944, is the oldest, largest and most representative national Indian organization serving the needs of a broad membership of American Indian and Alaska Native governments.
- National Indian Education Association
- <u>Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian</u> The newly opened Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian fosters, protects and promotes an understanding of Native American cultures by collaborating with indigenous peoples across the Western Hemisphere. Visit the American Indian Heritage Month calendar of events.
- <u>Dept. of the Navy Naval Historical Center</u> American Indians have participated with distinction in U.S. military actions for more than 200 years. The Navy highlights their involvement online in: 20th Century Warriors: Native American Participation in the United States Military.

Senior Federal Officials:

Kimberly Teehee, Senior Policy Adviser - Native American Affairs - President Obama, June 15, 2009.

Larry Echo Hawk Sworn in as Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs, U.S. Dept. of Interior

State Government:

Arizona Commission of Indian Affairs
Alaska Native Cultural profile
Arizona Commission of Indian Affairs
Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs
North Dakota Indian Affairs Commission
Alaska Native Cultural profile
Alaska Native Cultural profile
New Mexico Dept of Indian Affairs
Oklahoma Indian Affairs Commission

Oregon Legisl. Comm. on Indian Services Utah Division of Indian Affairs

South Dakota Office of Tribal Government Relations
Washington State: Governor's Office of Indian Affairs

Non-Government Organizations:

National Congress of American Indians / American Indian Library Association

Government / Law

Senate Committee on Indian Affairs: Hearings - 110th Congress

Law & Treaties:

U.S. Indian Law - an overview / CLIP Guide to Resources on Indian Law - University of Connecticut

<u>Indian Law Resource Center / Treaties Between the U.S. and Native Americans</u>

Native American Treaties and Information / Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act

Remarks - President Obama re Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples December 17, 2010.

U.S. to Back U.N. Declaration on Indigenous Peoples - President Obama, December 16, 2010.

President Obama Signs Claims Resolution Act 2010 December 8, 2010.

President Obama - Signing of the Tribal Law and Order Act The White House, July 29, 2010.

President Obama - The Passage of the Tribal Law and Order Act The White House, July 21, 2010.

Hearing - Bill H.R. 1924, the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2009 Hearing before a subcommittee of the *U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary*, December 10, 2009.

Federal and Tribal Law: Bibliography by Marilyn K. Nicely. University of Oklahoma Law Library, April 2003.

Kappler's Indian Affairs and Treaties - Treaties from 1778 to 1883

<u>The Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act</u> / <u>Tribal Preservation Program</u>
<u>Tribal Courts</u>



"Justice in Indian Country means more than handing out punishment or simply deciding who is right or wrong. Custom, history and tradition tell us true Indian justice carries a restorative factor," -Judge Anthony Brandenburg.

Judge Brandenburg, Chief Judge of the Intertribal Court of Southern California - <u>Building a User Friendly</u> <u>Tribal Court</u> for tribal judges and staff.

Justice, Crime, Law Enforcement:

<u>Native American Law Resources</u> –*University of California at Berkeley Law Library* <u>Indian Country Criminal Jurisdiction</u> – general information Compendium of Tribal Crime Data, 2011 BJS, June 2011.

<u>Indian Country Criminal Justice: Departments of the Interior and Justice Should Strengthen</u>
<u>Coordination to Support Tribal Courts</u> *GAO*, February 2011.

<u>Law Enforcement in Indian Country</u> *Michigan Bar Journal*, February 2010.

<u>Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and the Criminal Justice Response:</u> <u>What is Known</u> Research funded by the *U.S. Dept of Justice*, August 2008. *Note:* 168p.

<u>The Needs and Challenges of Tribal Law Enforcement on Indian Reservations</u> Hearing before the *U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources*, June 1, 2007.

<u>Law Enforcement in Indian Country</u> Hearing, *U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs*, May 17, 2007.

Law Enforcement in Indian Country Hearing, U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, June 21, 2007.

Indian Country Law Enforcement Section

Tribal Government Administration:

Native American Finance Officers Association

SACRED SITES - Sacred Places Deserve Respect

<u>Is Nothing Sacred? Corporate Responsibility for the Protection of Native American Sacred Sites</u>

Sacred Land Film Project, (2005?) 82p.

Desecration of a Sacred site

Environment:

Native Americans and the Environment / General links

Native Americans and the Environment by David Rich Lewis

Native Americans and the Environment - NCSE

Environmental Justice and Nuclear Power / **Environmentalists and Social Justice**

<u>Tribal Successes: Protecting the Environment and Natural Resources</u> Offices of the Inspector General, EPA and U.S. Dept of the Interior, May 2007.

Cultural Property Issues:

Native American Sites / Federal Laws and Acts Protecting Burial Sites

<u>Indian Sacred Sites</u> - Draft report - *U.S. Secretary of Agriculture*, July 2011. 98p.

U.S. Federal Cultural Property and Preservation Legislation

<u>Protection of Sacred Sites - U.S. Federal Government Policy Documents</u>

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation: Legislation

Repatriation of Native American Remains and Grave Goods: Bibliography

<u>Smithsonian Institution: Much Work Still Needed to Identify and Repatriate Indian Human Remains and Objects</u> *GAO* report, May 2011. 65p.

Native American Graves and Repatriation Act: After Almost 20 Years, Key Federal Agencies Still Have Not Fully Complied with the Act GAO, July 2010.

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) Hearing before the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources, October 7, 2009.

Research Institutions & Museums:

National Museum of the American Indian

Institute of American Indian Studies, University of South Dakota

Information Resources, Portals:

FAQs - American Indians and Alaska Natives - U.S. Dept of Health and Human Services

Walking a Mile: A first Step Toward Mutual Understanding: A Qualitative Study Exploring How

Indians and Non-Indians Think About Each Other by John Doble & Andrew L. Yarrow. Public Agenda'07.

Techniques for Evaluating Web Sites about Native Americans

Native American History and Culture - Smithsonian Institution

Themed Resources - For Teachers and Students / Indians of North America: Selected Resources

U.S. Government Resources on Native Americans

WWW Virtual Library: Index of Native American Resources on the Internet

Index of Native American Bibliography / NativeWeb

Digital Librarian - American Indian Studies

<u>Guide to Sources on Native Americans</u> – an annotated guide, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Native American Studies - Academic Info

Native Americans - an annotated guide, by National Archives & Records Administration (NARA)

Native American Records in the Native American Collection at Footnote

Native American Resources

Selected Native American Web Sites - New York State Library

Native Americans Subject Guide - Arizona State University Libraries

National Museum of the American Indian

American Indian Population and Labor Force Reports - Bureau of Indian Affairs

<u>Native Americans: Facts and Statistics</u> - Census Bureau / <u>2012 Statistical Abstract</u> - Rankings

American Indian and Alaska Natives Data and Links - U.S. Census 2010 / Census Summary

A Critical Bibliography on North American Indians, for K-12 - National Museum of Natural History

Native Americans: Materials for Teachers & Librarians / Native Americans - San Antonio Public Library

<u>Information for American Indian Heritage Month</u> – Information Please

<u>American Indian Policy Center</u> - Nonprofit group - policy dev. and education, American Indian life, etc.

<u>American Indian Materials in the Federal Depository Libraries of Oklahoma</u> Oklahoma Dept of Libraries, June 2002. 25p.

<u>The American Community: American Indians and Alaska Natives – 2004</u> Census Bureau, May 2007. BLOGS, NEWS, etc.

Tribal Blogger - Web Portal / Native Indian News / The Indian Reporter.com

Conferences:

<u>President Obama announces 2011 White House Tribal Nations Conference</u> White House, October 24, 2011 (Conference to be held December 2, 2011).

Remarks by President Obama at the White House Tribal Nations Conference December 16, 2010.

Remarks by President Obama during opening of Tribal Nations Conference November 5, 2009.

Transportation:

Transportation Issues in Indian Country Hearing, U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, July 12'07.

REPORTS

American Indians Seek Greater Understanding, Recognition by Jeffrey Thomas. IIP, October 18, 2007.

"Maybe you should just tell them that we still exist," an American Indian told the moderator of a focus group during a recent study that not only has highlighted continuing misconceptions about American Indians, but also has revealed the sympathy with which many Americans view Indians' history and desire to learn more about their past and present. This 32-page exploratory study *Walking a Mile: A First Step Toward Mutual Understanding* revealed that, even though American Indians might feel isolated, misunderstood and culturally threatened in contemporary America, they often express pride in their economic accomplishments and a conviction that their lives are improving. "The biggest fight that we have is [about] identity," a New York Indian told researchers. The study is based on 12 focus groups - seven with Indians and five with non-Indians - conducted by researchers from *Public Agenda*. According to the report, non-Indians generally regret what happened to Indians prior to the 20th century but have little knowledge of their active, vibrant culture today or fail to realize that past attempts to forcibly assimilate Indians remain a painful, living memory.

<u>Federal Agencies – Assistance to Native Americans</u> / <u>Native Americans: A Health Snapshot</u> / <u>Foundation Funding for Native American Issues & Peoples</u> / <u>Obesity and American Indians & Alaska Natives</u> / <u>Mental Health Disparities</u> / <u>Substance Abuse in Rural and Small Town America</u>

Flags & Insignia:

Flags of the Native Peoples of the U.S.

<u>Issues Relating to Patent Protection for Official Insignia of Native American Tribes</u> Public Hearings *U.S. Patent and Trademark Office*, July 1998.

Genealogy, Ancestry:

<u>Trace Indian Ancestry</u> - U.S. Dept of Interior / <u>Contacting a Tribal Entity - Tribal Directory</u>

Tribes - By State

The People:

First Nations History / Native American Religions - A summary / Census Bureau Fact Sheet

Native American Literature, Movies, Genealogy, etc. / Native Music & Storytelling - Transcript

Native American Indians – Facts for Kids

<u>Geographical Index of Native American Indian Tribes</u> grouped by continent, country, and state or province, some with maps.

<u>Americans for Indian Opportunity</u> – Developing leaders, Facilitating Change, Making History

Maps of Native American Culture Areas in the Western Hemisphere.

Native American Indian Tribes & Languages / United National Indian Tribal Youth

<u>Tribal Tattoos</u> / <u>Traditional Clothing</u> Hairstyles, clothing and ornamentation among various native peoples during various historical periods, including a sentence or two on native tattoo art in each tribe.

Medals of Honor / Famous Indians / Famous Indian Chiefs / Historic Indian Battles

Clothing, Dress & Apparel:

<u>Identity by Design: Tradition, Change and Celebration in Native Women's Dresses</u> Exhibition at National Museum of the American Indian, March 24, 2007 to January 2, 2008.

The Pow Wow World

Tribes (Nations):

National Map of Federally Recognized Tribes and EPA Regions

Tribal Leaders Directory

Native American Nations

Ten Largest Indian Tribes, 2010 - Information Please

American Indian and Alaska Native Population 2010 - Information Please

Indian Nations of Texas - brief historical descriptions

Recognition of Tribes:

The Effectiveness of Federal Spending on Native American Programs Hearing before a subcommittee of the *U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources*, March 8, 2011.

<u>Justice Dept. Unveils Plan for Action for Consultation and Coordination with Tribes</u> News release, U.S. Dept of Justice, February 12, 2010. <u>The Plan for Action</u>

<u>Process of Federal Recognition of Indian Tribes</u> Hearing before the *U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs*, September 19, 2007.

<u>Indian Issues: Timeliness of the Tribal Recognition Process Has Improved, but It Will Take Years to Clear the Existing Backlog of Petitions</u> Testimony by Robin M. Nazzaro. *GAO*, Feb.10, 2005.

Apache:

Apache Indians - from The Handbook of Texas Online / Indians of Arizona: The Apache

Cherokee:

Cherokee Nation / History / Annual Reports / Cherokee History Resources

Chippewa:

Sault Tribe of Chippewa Indians / History & Culture

Comanche:

Comanche Nation / Culture

Hopi:

Hopi Tribe / **Hopi Cultural Preservation Office**

Inuit (Eskimo):

Inupiag - Alaska Native Cultural Profile

Sioux

Nine Tribes of South Dakota (all Sioux) / Oglala Sioux / Rosebud Sioux Tribe / Standing Rock Sioux

Regions:

Traditions and Languages of Three Native Cultures: Tlingit, Lakota and Cherokee

Indian Peoples of the Northern Great Plains

Arizona's Native American Tribes

Languages:

Native American Languages

Society for the Study of the Indigenous Languages of the Americas

Alaska Native Language Center

Stereotypes:

American Indian Stereotypes Subject Guide - by Arizona State University Libraries

Culture:

Honoring Native Americans IIP Digital, October 28, 2011.

National Museum of the American Indian / Native American Artists

Native American Documents Project / Arizona State Museum

Meetings, Gatherings:

Native American Pow Wows / National Pow Wow Photos / 2011 Pow Wow Calendar

National Wow Wow 2010-2020



National Pow-Wow in Washington, D.C. - YouTube

2 min - Mar 21, 2008 Fancy Dancers at the **National Pow-wow** in the Verizon Center, Washington, D.C.

Arts and Crafts:

Indian Arts and Crafts Board / First Americans in the Arts

Indian Arts and Crafts: Size of Market & Extent of Misrepresentation Unknown GAO, April'04. 45p.

Music:

Native American Indian Composers / First Nations Composer Institute

History:

Atlas of the Sioux Wars Combat Studies Institute Press, 2006. 47p.

The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

Environment

American Indians in Farming and Ranching - Compiled by National Agricultural Library

In-depth look at American Indian Farmers: USDA

Culturally Significant Plants of the United States

Health:

<u>American Indian Health</u> - National Institute of Health <u>Office of Minority Health</u>

Let's Move! In Indian Country / The Launch

Mental Health Disparities - American Indians and Alaska Natives APA, Office of Minority Affairs 2010.

<u>Health Characteristics of the American Indian or Alaska Native Adult Population: United States, 2004-2008</u> *NCHS*, March 9, 2010.

Keeping America's Promise: Health Care and Child Welfare Services for Native Americans
before the U.S. Senate Committee on Finance, March 22, 2007.

<u>Invisible Tribes: Urban Indians and Their Health in a Changing World</u> *Urban Indian Health Commission & Robert Wood Johnson Foundation*, 2007. <u>News Release</u> (November 1, 2007).

Housing:

Indian Housing Programs - U.S. Dept of Housing & Urban Development

Housing types (pre-contact)

Native American Housing: Tribes Generally View Block Grant Program as Effective, but Tracking of Infrastructure Plans and Investments Needs Improvement GAO, February 2010. Supplementary material

A Step Toward Better Housing and Economic Development in Indian Country The White House Blog

Education:

Office of Indian Education, U.S. Department of Education

White House Initiative on Tribal Colleges and Universities

American Indian Higher Education Consortium // American Indian Tribal Colleges

<u>American Indian Graduate Center</u> / <u>American Indian Education Links</u>

National Indian Education Study

Status and Trends in the Education of American Indians and Alaska Natives NCES, September 2008.

<u>Challenges Facing Bureau of Indian Education Schools in Improving Student Achievement</u> – YouTube. Hearing, subcommittee of the U.S. House Comm. on Education and Labor, November 6'11.

National Indian Education Study: Part I NCES, June 2010 (reading and mathematics attainment)

<u>Indian Education</u> Oversight field hearing of the U.S. House Comm. on Natural Resources, August 6, 2010.

National Indian Education Association - committed to increasing educational excellence, opportunities and resources for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian students while protecting our cultural and linguistic traditions.

Native Americans - Teacher's Guide / Teacher's Resources

American Indian Heritage Teaching Resources

Tribal College Journal of American Indian Higher Education

Substance Abuse, Drugs:

Substance Use Among American Indian or Alaska Native Adults SAMHSA, June 24, 2010.

Drug Threats in Indian Country 2009 - Woodland Indian Forum

Suicide:

Youth Suicides and Urgent Need for Medical Care... U.S. Senate Comm. on Indian Affairs, March 25'10.

Youth Suicide Prevent Act 2009: Analysis and Summaries

<u>American Indian Suicides in Jail: Can Risk Screening Be Culturally Sensitive?</u> National Institute of Justice, June 2005

Economic Issues:

Harvard Project - American Indian Economic Development

<u>Tribal Economic Development</u> "A Total Approach" by Shane Bordeaux. *Office Comptroller of Currency*.

National Native American Economic Summit May 2007.

Business & Entrepreneurship:

Native American Business Resources - a compilation

Resources for Minority Business Owners

<u>The Frugal Entrepreneur - For Minority Owned Businesses</u>

Indian Business Association

Native American Business Alliance - On Facebook

Native American Business Listings

National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development / Reservation Economic Summit 2012

Native American Youth Empowerment Project

National Tribal Development Association

American Indian Business Leaders - organization

National Indian Gaming Commission

Onaben – "a Native American business network"

Minnesota American Indian Chamber of Commerce

SBA's Project Jumpstart

Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

Business Service Center – "owned & operated by confederated tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation"

Native American Small Business Resources

Minority Business Entrepreneur magazine

Transportation:

Transportation Issues in Indian Country Hearing, U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, July 12'07.

Taxation:

Overview of Federal Tax Provisions Relating to Native American Tribes and Their Members

by the staff of the Joint Committee on Taxation, U.S. Congress, July 22, 2008.

Nonprofits & Philanthropy:

Native Giving - Promotes philanthropic activity among Native American communities

Teaching With Historic Places A series of award-winning lesson plans that use places listed in the National Register to enliven the study of history, social studies, and geography. Ten ready-to-use lesson plans, available for free downloading, that examine different aspects of American Indian history. Titles include:

TwHP American Indian History Feature

The Battle of Honey Springs: The Civil War Comes to the Indian Territory

The Battle of Horseshoe Bend: Collision of Cultures

The Battle of Oriskany: "Blood Shed a Stream Running Down"

Bryce Canyon National Park: Hoodoos Cast Their Spell

Gran Quivira: A Blending of Cultures in a Pueblo Indian Village

Knife River: Early Village Life on the Plains

The Lewis and Clark Expedition: Documenting the Uncharted Northwest

San Antonio Missions: Spanish Influence in Texas

Tonto National Monument: Saving a National Treasure

The Trail of Tears: The Forced Relocation of the Cherokee Nation



Places Reflecting America's Diverse Cultures

TRAVEL ITINERARIES - Travel to historic places that convey the rich cultural heritage of our American Indian population with inspiring stories of their perseverance across America.

Places Reflecting America's Diverse Cultures

American Southwest / Lewis and Clark Expedition

<u>Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands</u> / <u>Pipestone, Minnesota</u>

Indian Mounds of Mississippi / Along the Georgia-Florida Coast

Three Historic Nevada Cities: Carson City, Reno, Virginia City

Technology Use, Internet:

<u>Closing the Digital Divide: Connecting Native Nations and Communities to the 21st Century</u> Hearing before the *U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation*, April 5, 2011.

<u>The Digital Divide Dilemma: Preserving Native American Culture While Increasing Access to Information Technology on Reservations</u> by Therese Bissell in *Journal of Law & Technology Policy*, 2004.

NativeWeb

Native American Internet Resources / Internet Sacred Text Archive

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